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Application No.: 09/828,794	) Examiner: Unknown

For: LEFT VENTRICULAR CONDUIT WITH BLOOD VESSEL GRAFT

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification, as follows:

replace the paragraph at page 6, lines 13-23, with the following:

Further details regarding conduits and conduit delivery systems are

described in copending patent applications entitled, DESIGNS FOR LEFT

VENTRICULAR CONDUIT, U.S. Application No. 09/369,048, filed August 4, 1999,

VALVE DESIGNS FOR LEFT VENTRICULAR CONDUIT, U.S. Application No.

09/368,393, filed August 4, 1999, LEFT VENTRICULAR CONDUITS TO CORONARY

ARTERIES AND METHODS FOR CORONARY BYPASS, U.S. Application No.

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